

by investing \$170,000. We would not do this if it were not a plus in the tax bill. The jobs will be created in the same county where Broyhill laid off 500 people.

Mr. Speaker, I think people who have never been involved in employing people and working together do not recognize what an advantage this new tax bill is for creating jobs.

HERE REPUBLICANS GO AGAIN

(Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, here they go again. When that first took office, the Bush administration said we needed a big tax cut to get the economy moving again. They gave us a big tax cut, financed out of the deficit, financed out of Social Security; and we lost 1.7 million jobs since that tax cut. We have lost 2.5 million jobs since the Bush administration took office.

This morning they want to give us another trillion dollar tax cut to create more jobs, and the fact of the matter is that most of it will be financed out of the Social Security system and out of the deficit. When is this Nation going to learn that these people do not have a plan? They have yet to create a single new job; but what they will do in this tax cut is for those families earning over a million dollars, they will get \$93,000 back next year in tax cuts. For the average family, they will get \$217 back. In fact, over the next decade those families will take more in tax cuts than 90 percent of the population.

Mr. Speaker, this is once again showering hundreds of billions of dollars on the wealthiest people in the country while 2.5 million people are out of work, while 4 million people have given up looking for work, and three people are looking for every job that exists in this country. The Republicans and President Bush owe America better.

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ECONOMIC STIMULUS

(Mr. SHIMKUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, we have heard a lot of debate this morning already about no opportunities, but of course our friends on the other side will get an opportunity for a motion to recommit; and I think they can use that to highlight the plan, whatever it is that they have to offer.

In southern Illinois we still have some of those old water pumps. You crank that pump and sometimes you crank and crank and there is no water that comes out. So what do you have to do? You have to get water. You have to pour it down to prime it. And then as you use that pump, the water comes

up. That is what we are trying to do today.

There are two basic provisions on this tax cut bill, one is for individuals and one is for businesses, directly primarily to small businesses, the main job-creation engine of our country. It is not just individuals who are hurting but local governments are hurting, counties, States, townships, local communities. The best way to get us out of our deficits and our malaise and our problems throughout this country is to get a growing, thriving economy. That is what we are trying to do today. That is what this bill does. That is why I support it.

VOTE NO ON THE TAX BILL

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, today this House will vote on the Republicans' wildly irresponsible tax bill which fails to stimulate our economy or create jobs, explodes the budget deficit and the national debt, and robs Social Security and other key priorities of crucial funding. Our Republican friends continue to make wild claims about this tax bill, but the American people need to ask one very simple question: Do I trust TOM DELAY and the Republican majority who said that we would balance the budget, create jobs, and get the economy moving 2 years ago? Or do we trust an individual like Mr. Buffett, the largest investor, perhaps, in America, who recently said that cutting taxes on corporate dividends, an idea incorporated in the GOP bill, unfairly favors the wealthy and doubted that it would stimulate the economy? That is Warren Buffett. That is not one of us. Democrats strongly agree with him, however.

We offered a plan that is fast-acting, fair and fiscally responsible, a plan that would create five times, over a million jobs, as this GOP bill does.

Reject this failed policy.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 311, nays 72, not voting 51, as follows:

[Roll No. 177]

YEAS—311

Abercrombie	Everett	McInnis
Aderholt	Farr	McIntyre
Akin	Ferguson	McKeon
Alexander	Flake	Meehan
Andrews	Foley	Meek (FL)
Baca	Forbes	Meeks (NY)
Bachus	Frank (MA)	Menendez
Baker	Franks (AZ)	Mica
Ballance	Frelinghuysen	Michaud
Ballenger	Frost	Millender-
Barrett (SC)	Gallegly	McDonald
Bartlett (MD)	Garrett (NJ)	Miller (FL)
Bass	Gerlach	Miller (MI)
Beauprez	Gibbons	Miller (NC)
Becerra	Gilchrest	Mollohan
Bell	Gingrey	Moran (KS)
Bereuter	Goode	Moran (VA)
Berkley	Goodlatte	Murphy
Berman	Gordon	Musgrave
Biggert	Goss	Myrick
Billirakis	Granger	Napolitano
Bishop (GA)	Graves	Nethercutt
Bishop (NY)	Green (WI)	Ney
Bishop (UT)	Greenwood	Norwood
Blackburn	Grijalva	Nunes
Blumenauer	Hall	Nussle
Blunt	Harman	Obey
Boehlert	Harris	Ortiz
Boehner	Hastings (WA)	Osborne
Bonilla	Hayes	Ose
Bonner	Hayworth	Otter
Bono	Hensarling	Pallone
Boozman	Herger	Pascarella
Boswell	Hill	Payne
Boucher	Hinojosa	Pearce
Bradley (NH)	Hobson	Pelosi
Brady (TX)	Hoeffel	Peterson (PA)
Brown (SC)	Hoekstra	Petri
Brown-Waite,	Holden	Pickering
Ginny	Honda	Pombo
Burgess	Hostettler	Pomeroy
Burns	Houghton	Porter
Burr	Hoyer	Portman
Buyer	Hunter	Price (NC)
Calvert	Inslee	Pryce (OH)
Camp	Isakson	Putnam
Cannon	Israel	Radanovich
Cantor	Issa	Rahall
Capps	Jackson (IL)	Rangel
Cardin	Janklow	Regula
Cardoza	Jenkins	Rehberg
Carson (IN)	John	Renzi
Carson (OK)	Johnson (CT)	Reyes
Carter	Johnson (IL)	Reynolds
Case	Jones (NC)	Rodriguez
Castle	Kanjorski	Rogers (AL)
Chabot	Keller	Rogers (KY)
Chocola	Kelly	Rogers (MI)
Clyburn	Kildee	Rohrabacher
Coble	Kind	Ros-Lehtinen
Collins	King (NY)	Ross
Cox	Kingston	Rothman
Cramer	Kirk	Roybal-Allard
Crenshaw	Kline	Royce
Culberson	Knollenberg	Ruppersberger
Cummings	Kolbe	Ryan (OH)
Cunningham	LaHood	Ryan (WI)
Davis (AL)	Lampson	Ryun (KS)
Davis (CA)	Langevin	Sandlin
Davis (FL)	Lantos	Saxton
Davis (IL)	Latham	Schiff
Davis (TN)	LaTourette	Scott (GA)
Davis, Jo Ann	Leach	Scott (VA)
Davis, Tom	Lee	Sensenbrenner
Deal (GA)	Levin	Serrano
DeGette	Lewis (GA)	Sessions
DeLauro	Lewis (KY)	Shaw
DeLay	Linder	Shays
DeMint	Lofgren	Sherman
Deutsch	Lowey	Sherwood
Diaz-Balart, M.	Lucas (KY)	Shimkus
Dicks	Lucas (OK)	Shuster
Dingell	Lynch	Simmons
Dooley (CA)	Majette	Simpson
Doolittle	Manzullo	Skelton
Doyle	Markey	Slaughter
Dreier	Marshall	Smith (NJ)
Duncan	Matheson	Smith (TX)
Dunn	Matsui	Smith (WA)
Edwards	McCarthy (MO)	Solis
Ehlers	McCarthy (NY)	Souder
Emanuel	McCollum	Stearns
Emerson	McCotter	Stenholm
Eshoo	McCrery	Sullivan
Etheridge	McGovern	Sweeney
Evans	McHugh	Tauscher